

<sup>1</sup>Whoso loveth instruction loveth knowledge: but he that hateth reproof is brutish.<sup>2</sup>A good man obtaineth favour of the LORD: but a man of wicked devices will he condemn.<sup>3</sup>A man shall not be established by wickedness: but the root of the righteous shall not be moved.<sup>4</sup>A virtuous woman is a crown to her husband: but she that maketh ashamed is as rottenness in his bones.<sup>5</sup>The thoughts of the righteous are right: but the counsels of the wicked are deceit.<sup>6</sup>The words of the wicked are to lie in wait for blood: but the mouth of the upright shall deliver them.<sup>7</sup>The wicked are overthrown, and are not: but the house of the righteous shall stand.<sup>8</sup>A man shall be commended according to his wisdom: but he that is of a perverse heart shall be despised.<sup>9</sup>He that is despised, and hath a servant, is better than he that honoureth himself, and lacketh bread.<sup>10</sup>A righteous man regardeth the life of his beast: but the tender mercies of the wicked are cruel.<sup>11</sup>He that tilleth his land shall be satisfied with bread: but he that followeth vain persons is void of understanding.<sup>12</sup>The wicked desireth the net of evil men: but the root of the righteous yieldeth fruit.<sup>13</sup>The wicked is snared by the transgression of his lips: but the just shall come out of trouble.<sup>14</sup>A man shall be satisfied with good by the fruit of

his mouth: and the recompence of a man's hands shall be rendered unto him.<sup>15</sup>The way of a fool is right in his own eyes: but he that hearkeneth unto counsel is wise.<sup>16</sup>A fool's wrath is presently known: but a prudent man covereth shame.<sup>17</sup>He that speaketh truth sheweth forth righteousness: but a false witness deceit.<sup>18</sup>There is that speaketh like the piercings of a sword: but the tongue of the wise is health.<sup>19</sup>The lip of truth shall be established for ever: but a lying tongue is but for a moment.<sup>20</sup>Deceit is in the heart of them that imagine evil: but to the counsellors of peace is joy.<sup>21</sup>There shall no evil happen to the just: but the wicked shall be filled with mischief.<sup>22</sup>Lying lips are abomination to the LORD: but they that deal truly are his delight.<sup>23</sup>A prudent man concealeth knowledge: but the heart of fools proclaimeth foolishness.<sup>24</sup>The hand of the diligent shall bear rule: but the slothful shall be under tribute.<sup>25</sup>Heaviness in the heart of man maketh it stoop: but a good word maketh it glad.<sup>26</sup>The righteous is more excellent than his neighbour: but the way of the wicked seduceth them.<sup>27</sup>The slothful man roasteth not that which he took in hunting: but the substance of a diligent man is precious.<sup>28</sup>In the way of righteousness is life; and in the pathway thereof there is no death.